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In the Specification:

Amend the specification as follows:

1. Amend page 9, line ⁷~~18~~ as follows:

Referring to Figure 6, the foregoing method is explained in another level of detail. Method 200 is built around an ECS provider 210. ECS provider 210 assists a retailer/designer 220 with the color management process by, among other things, providing engineered color palettes for speeding color selection and development, engineered color standards (ECS), providing color quality management services, and other related color, or finishing, advice. The retailer/designer 220 creates a color for the garment. See: Frugia, R., "Show Your True Colors – Today's Quality Control is Better Than Ever," Quality Digest, August, 2000, pp. 36-38, incorporated herein by reference. The retailer/designer 220 may refer that color to the retailer/designer's color management team 230. The color management team 230 refers the color to the ECS provider 210. The ECS provider 210 may have a retailer/designer profile 245 225, i.e., considerations necessary to facilitate ECS recommendation that are tailored to the specific retailer/designer 220. The profile 225 identifies "acceptable tradeoffs," e.g., cost versus fastness, color versus light source. Provider 210, preferably utilizing color matching software, matches 240 the color and prepares the ECS. The match may, preferably, be confirmed 250 with an alternate technique (e.g., actual dyeing). Thereafter, the ECS is submitted 260 to team 230 for approval. Upon approval, the provider 210 generates 270 the ECS, e.g., posts the ECS to a secure website, or communicates the ECS to the retailer/designer 220. The ECS is communicated 280 to the textile vendor. The vendor produces 290 the product. Product quality, e.g., color or finish quality, may be controlled 295 against the ECS.